# Review and Analysis for December 2021 (Embargoed until January 21, 2022)

IMPORTANT NOTE: This release includes nonfarm jobs and labor force estimates for December 2021. Data collected for this report references the week including December 12th.

#### **Summary:**

- Kansas added 800 total nonfarm jobs in December 2021. This change was due to a gain of 2,000 private sector jobs and a decline of 1,200 government jobs.
- The unemployment rate decreased to 3.3 percent in December.
- For the weeks ending 12/4/21 1/1/22, the weekly average for regular unemployment insurance was 1,521 initial claims and 6,347 continued claims.



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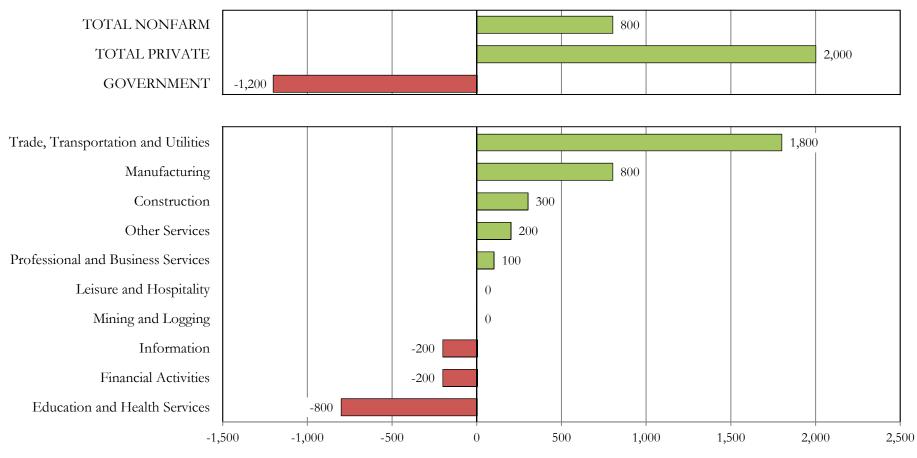
## INDUSTRY DATA

### Current Employment Statistics (CES)

- Seasonally adjusted preliminary total nonfarm jobs estimates for November were revised upward by 1,000 jobs, from 1,391,500 to 1,392,500. Seasonally adjusted private sector jobs were revised upward by 1,500 jobs, from 1,142,300 to 1,143,800.
- Kansas added 800 jobs over the month. Over the past 12 months, the number of nonfarm jobs increased by a total of 38,600 jobs. Estimates are seasonally adjusted.
- The private sector added 2,000 jobs over the month, or +0.2%. The largest gain was in Trade, Transportation and Utilities (+1,800), while the largest losses were in Education and Health Services (-800). Over the past 12 months, the private sector gained 36,500 jobs. Estimates are seasonally adjusted.
- Average weekly hours worked in the private sector increased to 34.6 hours, compared to 34.2 hours last December. Average nominal hourly earnings increased over-the-year by \$1.45 to \$28.16 (+5.4%). Average nominal weekly earnings increased by \$60.86 to \$974.34 (+6.7%) over the past 12 months. Estimates are not seasonally adjusted.

# Over-the-Month Change in Employment (seasonally adjusted) Kansas December 2021

Five of the major sectors saw an increase in jobs over-the-month, while four lost jobs, and two remained unchanged.



Over-the-Month Job Gain/Loss

Source: Kansas Department of Labor, Labor Market Information Services and the Bureau of Labor Statistics; Current Employment Statistics (CES)

## December 2021 Not Seasonally Adjusted Nonfarm Jobs

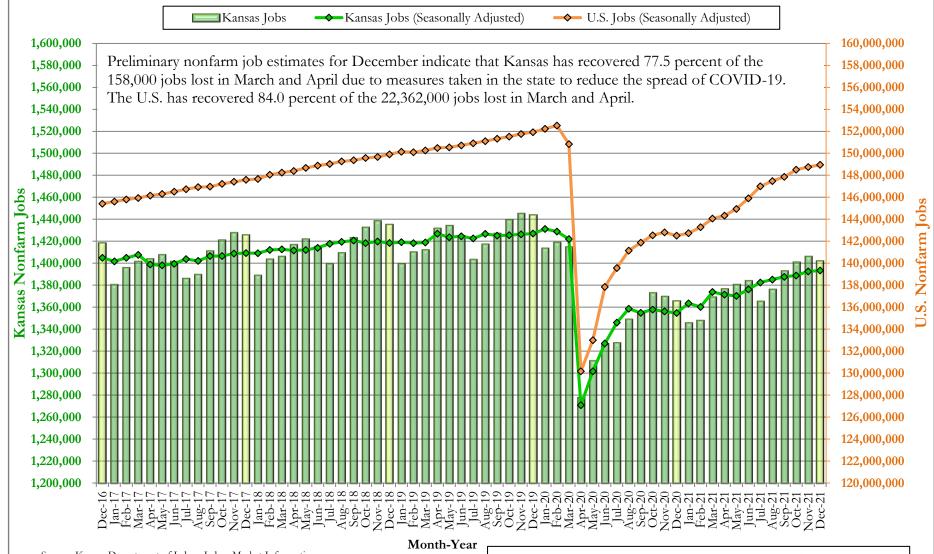
#### Place of Work Data

|                                     | December  | Month Change  |         | 12 Month Change |         |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|-----------------|---------|
|                                     | 2021      | Absolute      | Percent | Absolute        | Percent |
| TOTAL NONFARM                       | 1,401,900 | -4,000        | -0.3%   | 36,600          | 2.7%    |
| GOVERNMENT                          | 251,400   | -4,900        | -1.9%   | 0               | 0.0%    |
| TOTAL PRIVATE                       | 1,150,500 | 900           | 0.1%    | 36,600          | 3.3%    |
| GOODS-PRODUCING                     | 235,100   | 900           | 0.4%    | 8,100           | 3.6%    |
| Mining and Logging                  | 6,100     | 0             | 0.0%    | 300             | 5.2%    |
| Construction                        | 63,000    | -700          | -1.1%   | -900            | -1.4%   |
| Manufacturing                       | 166,000   | 1,600         | 1.0%    | 8,700           | 5.5%    |
| PRIVATE SERVICE-PROVIDING           | 915,400   | 0             | 0.0%    | 28,500          | 3.2%    |
| Trade, Transportation and Utilities | 284,000   | <b>3,5</b> 00 | 1.2%    | 15,900          | 5.9%    |
| Information                         | 17,100    | 200           | 1.2%    | 500             | 3.0%    |
| Financial Activities                | 74,700    | -400          | -0.5%   | -2,300          | -3.0%   |
| Professional and Business Services  | 173,100   | -900          | -0.5%   | <b>1,6</b> 00   | 0.9%    |
| Education and Health Services       | 197,800   | -900          | -0.5%   | 500             | 0.3%    |
| Leisure and Hospitality             | 119,800   | -1,300        | -1.1%   | 12,000          | 11.1%   |
| Other Services                      | 48,900    | -200          | -0.4%   | 300             | 0.6%    |

Industries in green added the most jobs over the year, and industries in red lost the most jobs over the year.

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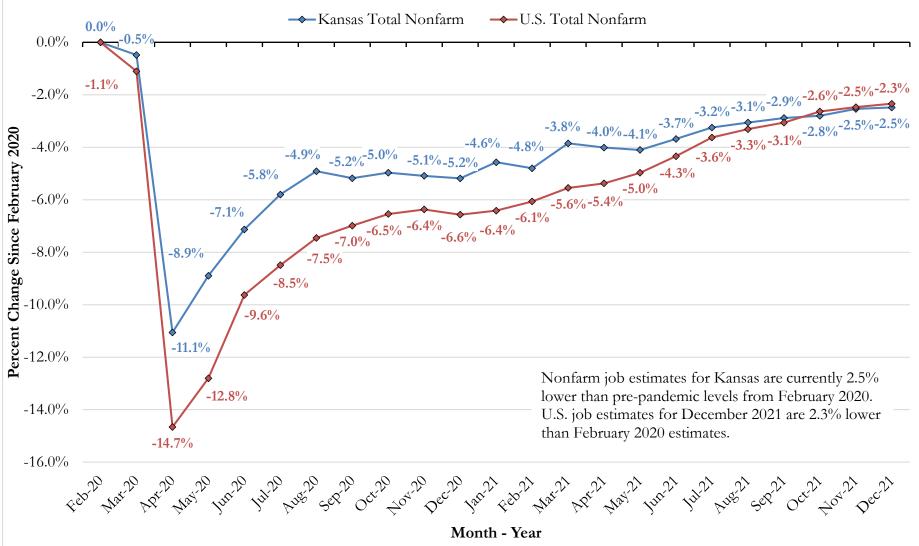
#### Nonfarm Jobs Kansas and U.S. December 2016 to December 2021



Source: Kansas Department of Labor, Labor Market Information Services and the Bureau of Labor Statistics; Current Employment Statistics (CES)

Over-the-Year Percent Change in Jobs, Not Seasonally Adjusted (KS) +2.7% Over-the-Year Percent Change in Jobs, Not Seasonally Adjusted (US) +4.6%

## Percent Change in Jobs Since February 2020 Total Nonfarm (seasonally adjusted) February 2020 to December 2021



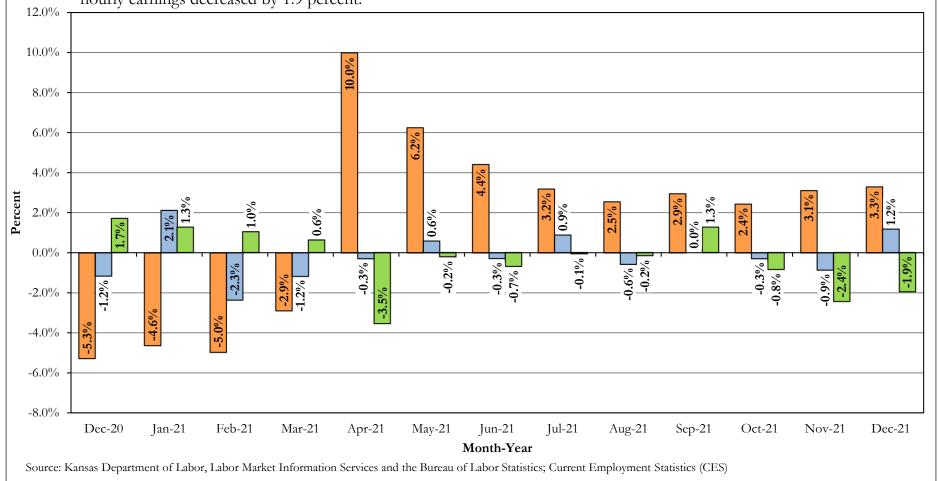
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## Over-the-Year Change in Private Sector Jobs, Average Weekly Hours, and Real Hourly Earnings Not Seasonally Adjusted Kansas

December 2020 to December 2021

■ Jobs ■ Average Weekly Hours ■ Real Hourly Earnings

Private sector job estimates show improvement from one year ago. In December, the over-the-year increase in private sector jobs was 3.3 percent, the number of average weekly hours worked increased by 1.2 percent over-the-year, and real hourly earnings decreased by 1.9 percent.



## HOUSEHOLD DATA

Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)

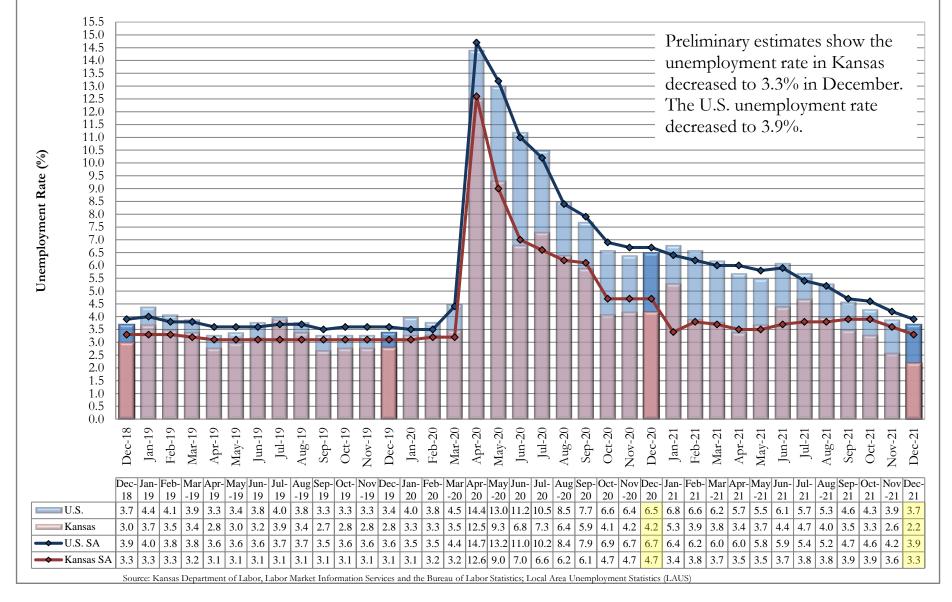
### Seasonally adjusted estimates:

- The unemployment rate declined to 3.3% in December. The revised unemployment rate for November remained unchanged at 3.6%. Over the last 12 months the unemployment rate decreased by 1.4 percentage points from December 2020 to December 2021.
- The labor force decreased by a net of 4,949 individuals to a total of 1,500,738 participants over the month.
- Employment decreased by a net of 694 individuals to 1,450,942 over the month.
- The pool of the unemployed decreased by a net of 4,255 individuals to 49,796 over the month.

### Not seasonally adjusted estimates:

• The not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 2.2% in December.

## Unemployment Rate Kansas and U.S. December 2018 - December 2021



## Unemployment Rate Kansas January 1976 to December 2021

